

We express our heartfelt thanks to you  
for being part of this celebration of Tanya's life.  
In our time of sadness  
we have been touched by your love and kindness  
and we thank you sincerely.



The family would like to invite relatives and friends  
to join them for light refreshments in the  
**Church Hall**  
following the service.

Bryan J Reid Funeral Services

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IN MEMORY OF

*Tanya Johansson*



5 October 1939 ~ 13 February 2024

Friday, 23 February 2024

Saint Panteleimon Russian Orthodox Church  
4/7 Comserv Close, West Gosford

Celebrant: Very Rev. James Carles





A wife, a mother, a nanny too!  
This is the legacy we have from you.  
You taught us love and how to fight.  
You gave us strength, you gave us might.

A stronger person would be hard to find.  
And in your heart, you were always kind.  
You fought for us all in one way or another.  
Not just as a wife, not just as a Mother.

For all of us, you gave your best.  
Now the time has come for you to rest.  
So go in peace, you've earned your sleep.  
Your love in our hearts, we'll eternally keep.

#### CHERTSEY PRIMARY SCHOOL



**THIRD ROW:** Sharon Read, Ian Gibson, Judy James, Gail Vaughan, Brian Barron, Fay Seidel, Judith Wallace  
**SECOND ROW:** Tanya Johansson, Rosemarie Van Drempt, Suzanne Payne, Estelle Huckle, Penny Harwood, Jan Morris, Brenda Kreger, Lorraine Blackburn  
**FRONT ROW:** Gail Garaty, Sue Lane, Karen Myhr, John Blair, Colleen Newton, Ron Peita  
127-PW94  
Principal: Mr. J. Blair



Tatiana was born on 5 October 1939. Like many Russians who came to live in Australia, she was born in China, and she spent her childhood there in the predominantly Russian city of Harbin. She was the middle child of three girls, having an older sister, Tamara, and a younger sister, Nina. Together with her mother Natasha, her grandmother Olga, and her sisters, Tatiana came to Australia when she was 12 years of age. The family lived in Western Sydney, and she finished her schooling there. At the beginning of her working life she was a photographer's assistant, colouring black and white photographs. She later worked in the printing trade. As a young woman she loved to dance. She first married aged 20, becoming a mother to Tamara. Sadly, the marriage did not last. She met her second husband, Hans Johansson, at work, and they married in 1972, remaining together until Hans passed away in September 2008. They moved from Western Sydney to the North Shore where Tatiana was a teacher's aide at Neutral Bay Public School from 1973. They later bought land and built a new home in North Gosford, moving to the Central Coast in 1976. Tatiana was able to transfer to Point Clare Public School, and she worked happily there for many years. The last school she worked at before retiring was Chertsey Public School in Springfield. In 2014 she moved to live with her daughter Tamara. Tatiana loved her granddaughter, Ashley; her many longstanding friends, to whom she was very loyal; her little dogs Linton, Pepe, and Neddy; and painting in watercolours. She was a loving aunty to Stuart Newham and Sonja Newham. She will be lovingly remembered by her family and friends.

